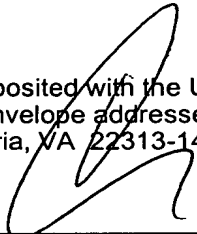




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Second Preliminary Amendment

The January 18, 2005 Notice of Noncompliant Amendment required the abstract to be presented on a separate sheet. From this, Applicant assumes that the abstract was not present in the original PCT documents and therefore the request for a conditional abstract amendment is now being implemented. The purpose of this submission is to submit the abstract on a separate sheet to facilitate this.

Thus, the specification amendment of the first preliminary amendment is again described on page 2 of this document, but page 3 now presents the abstract on a separate sheet.

The other requested amendments in the earlier preliminary amendment, regarding the drawings and claims, remain in effect.